

CAMPAIGN FINANCE DIVISION

☒ WAIVER REQUEST
☐ RECONSIDERATION REQUEST

DATE: 4/30/2021

DOCKET #:

FILER INFORMATION

Name: Suzanne deMahy
Office: District Judge, 16th Judicial District Court, ES 2, Div. B
Parish: IBERIA, ST. MARTIN, ST. MARY
Election Date: 11/3/2020
Level of Office: District

REPORT INFORMATION

Name of Report: 30-P
Original Due Date: 10/5/2020
Date Filed: 10/19/2020
Activity Receipts: \$280.00
Expenditures: \$4,041.21
Funds at Close of Reporting Period: \$32.00

LATE FEE INFORMATION

Amount of Late Fee: \$840
Days Late: 14
Late Fee Order Received: 11/4/2020
Payment/Waiver Request Due Date: 11/24/2020
Waiver Request Received: 11/9/2020
Additional Information Requested:

- Medical
- Financial
- Other

COMMENTS: Candidate submitted a waiver request and stated that her first time as a candidate was for the November 2017 election and filed all reports timely in connection with that election. She was unopposed for the November 3, 2020 election and received no contributions and used funds from her 2017 campaign to cover the qualifying fees. She said as soon as she received the notice of delinquency she immediately filed the report. She said that after filing her campaign finance reports there are zero funds left in her campaign accounts and no funds to pay any late fees. She requests the board to consider her circumstances that she has never had any other issues before the board prior to the delinquency.

OTHER LATE FEE INFORMATION

Campaign Finance:

Other Outstanding Reports: No
Other Outstanding Late Fees: No
Prior Late Fees: No
Reassessed Late Fees: No

Disclosure Statements:

Other Outstanding Late Fees: No
Prior Late Fees: No

Suzanne deMahy

District Judge

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November 9, 2020

Via Facsimile Only (225) 381-7271

Attn: Melissa Horn & Angela Newsom
Louisiana Board of Ethics
P.O. Box 4368
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70821

**Re: Late Fee WAIVER for November 3, 2020 Election
30-P Campaign Finance Disclosure Report filed 14 days late**

Dear Mss. Horn & Newsom:

I received the November 2, 2020 Late Fee Assessment Order recently regarding candidate finance reports for November 3, 2020 election for the 16th Judicial District Court Division B seat. Please accept this letter as my request to have the late fees of \$840.00 **waived**.

My first time as a candidate for the 16th Judicial District Court Division B seat was July 2017 for the November 2017 election. I have been filing the appropriate reports for that election period, including all supplemental reports since there were campaign funds remaining through 2020. I never had any late filings with regards to any reports due for the November 2017 election.

After my unopposed election in 2017, I received no additional contributions. I received no campaign donations/contributions for my November 3, 2020 election. I was unopposed. I used remaining funds from my 2017 campaign to cover the costs of 2020 qualifying fees. After those qualifying fees were paid, any additional funds that remained from 2017 campaign were donated to a non-profit organization. My intent was to file a final report for 2017 campaign finance before the end of 2020.

As soon as I received the Notice of Delinquency dated October 8, 2020, I contacted the Louisiana Board of Ethics to get a better understanding of what was needed since I was unopposed in the 2020 election and collected no campaign contributions. I then immediately contacted my campaign treasurer to prepare the appropriate reports. As of the October 20, 2020 filing of my campaign finance reports, there are zero funds left in my campaign accounts and no funds to pay any late fees.

Please consider my circumstances and the fact that I have never had any other issues before the board prior to the October 2020 delinquency. If any more information is needed or my personal appearance is necessary prior to a waiver decision being made, please contact me directly at (337) 296-1006.

Sincerely,

Suzanne deMahy
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